



Mayor's Proclamation

Whereas the AIDS pandemic has claimed more than 28 million lives around the world since 1983 and 42 million individuals now live with AIDS, and

Whereas Monroe County has lost many lives to this disease and has a number of citizens who continue to live with HIV and AIDS, and

Whereas the Global Health Council organized an International AIDS Candlelight Memorial twenty-three years ago, and

Whereas this Memorial will be observed in 2006 during the month of May in 4,500 communities in 93 countries, and

Whereas the theme of this year's memorial is "Lighting the Path to a Brighter Future", and

Whereas, AIDS Help, Inc the Monroe County Health Department, the Care Center for Mental Health and Human Services Associates have organized such a memorial to occur in Key West on Sunday, May 21, 2006, in a march from Bayview Park to the AIDS Memorial at Higgs Beach for a candlelight service,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Sonny McCoy, Mayor of Monroe County, do hereby declare Sunday, May 21, 2006 to be International AIDS Candlelight Memorial Day in Key West.


Mayor Charles 'Sonny' McCoy

